

9. Afforestation of the closed mines of Mussorie Hills of U.P. proposal has been received from the State Government for re-consideration.
10. Tehri Dam Afforestation Project (b) yes, Sir.
11. Development of Civil and Soyam forests in Kumaon and Garhwal Region. (c) Kerala Forest Research Institute has conducted studies on the long term environmental and ecological impact of Pooyankutty Hydel Dam Project.

Pooyankutty Hydel Dam Project

3107. SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Kerala has requested for reconsideration of their earlier decision of not approving the Pooyankutty Hydro-electric Project in Kerala;

(b) whether the Government was aware of the protest lodged by environmentalists and some scientists against sanctioning of this Project;

(c) whether the Government have made a study of the ecological imbalances resulting from the implementation of the project and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that project will create barriers in the Western Ghat system, destroy thousands of acres of evergreen monsoon forests and affect flora and fauna of the region; and

(e) if so, the steps taken to advise the Government of Kerala to rectify these imbalances and their response there to?

THE MINISTER OF STATE ON THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) No formal

(d) The forest land required for the Project is 3001. 8 hectares out of which 2,800 hectare is required for sumergence;

(e) Does not arise as the proposal has been rejected.

Expenditure on Education

3108. SHRI K.P. UNNIKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total expenditure incurred on education by the Union Government in 1988-89; 1989-90 and 1990-91;

(b) the break-up of the amount spent on high school, college/university education and professional education out of these outlays and its percentage, year-wise; and

(c) the amount spent on adult education in the corresponding years by the Union Government?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). Information relating to the Department of Education is furnished in the attached Statement.

Information relating to other Departments is being collected.